**Ridge View** October 2021

# Itsy Bitsy SPIDERS! Zoo Phonics

## **October Focus**

During October, your child will be learning about spiders. This high-interest content will be integrated in math, reading, and writing. A fun way to support our learning at home is to go out and look for spider webs. There are many different kinds of webs and spiders!

We will continue to work on writing our first and last names along with opinion writing.

In math, we will continue working on counting and writing numbers, as well as talking about one more and one less.

## Mid-Trimester

Mid-Trimester is quickly approaching on October 8<sup>th</sup>! You will receive your child's KSD assessment scores as well as a Social-Emotional checklist. If you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's academic and/or social progress, please speak with your teacher through a phone call or email. We continue to monitor your child both academically and socially and are busy assessing and preparing for fall conferences in November.

# **Important Dates:**

- October 7<sup>th</sup>: PTO Meeting (Library @ 3:30)
- October 12<sup>th</sup>: Jog-a-Thon
- October 13<sup>th</sup>- Costume Exchange
- October 15<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL for Kindergarten (Grades 1-5 attend)
- Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> NO SCHOOL, **Professional Day**
- October 27<sup>th</sup>: Yogurt Beach Fundraiser
- Octo er 29<sup>th</sup>: Author Visit

You may have heard your child talking about silly animals that make letter sounds! This is a GOOD thing as we have started our phonics program called Zoo Phonics. Each letter has a specific animal and hand signal to go with it. Studies show kindergartners and other young learners are very kinesthetic! They need to move, dance, sing and have fun while they are learning!

# **Jog-A-Thon**

On Tuesday, October 12th from 9:00-10:00 am, every student will be participating in Ridge View's Jog-A-Thon! The Jog-a-Thon is a fundraiser for the PTO, which means all funds are put back into the school. In the years past, the money has been used to purchase our mural in the fover and our rock-climbing wall in the gym! Every student in rooms 1, 2, and 4 will receive a large manila Jog-a-Thon envelope in his or her Friday folder. Please follow the instructions on the envelope. Each classroom will need 5 volunteers to help mark laps and 1 volunteer to stay from 10-11 to record all of them. If you are interested in helping, please send an e-mail or Remind to you child's teacher. If you have questions, please feel free to contact your classroom teacher.

#### Dear Parents,

It has been our pleasure getting to know your child! As the school year progresses, we will continue to work on their academic progress and appropriate behavior in class. We do ask every child during class to try their hardest and do their best work. Please let us know if you ever have any questions or concerns. We thank you for all your support thus far and look forward to our year together!

-The RV Kindergarten Team